

## **REMARKS**

### **I.      Status of the Claims**

Claims 1 – 85 were presented in the application proper as filed. By the foregoing amendments filed with the original application papers, claims 1-28, 38, 39, 43, 56, 58-72, 85 and new claim 86 are pending in the application, the other claims being cancelled without prejudice to applicants right to claim the subject matter thereof in this or any future application, including, without limitation, a divisional, continuation, reissue, reexamination, etc.

### **II.     Conclusion**

Applicants respectfully request entry of the above amendments and examination of the application.

Respectfully submitted,  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND**  
**PRIORITY CLAIM AMENDMENT**